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June 14, 2011

Mr. Anthony E. Keck, Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
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Re: South Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-015

Dear Mr. Keck:

We have reviewed South Carolina's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 10-015, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on December 15, 2010. This amendment was submitted to eliminate the coverage of the optional services for dental, hospice, podiatry, routine eye exams with refractions, eyeglasses for adults, and reduced the number of home health visits from seventy five to fifty.

The State withdrew the hospice change early in the process and addressed all of the services and related issues contained in a request for additional information (RAI) satisfactory. CMS also had questions related to the number of home health visit reductions and received sufficient documentation that the reduction in the number of home health visits would not adversely impact beneficiaries.

Based on the information provided, we would like to inform you that South Carolina SPA 10-015 was approved on May 25, 2011. The effective date is February 1, 2011. The signed CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Tandra Hodges at (404) 562-7409.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures